

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend paragraph, on page 1 to page 12, of the original specification with the following paragraph.

Fig. 4 illustrates the binding of an instance of an event consumer with an instance of an event filter. An event consumer 300 302 is a class that includes one or more properties, labeled Property 1, Property 2, ... Property N. The event consumer properties specify one or more actions to be performed in response to the occurrence of a particular event. Event consumer 300 302 includes multiple subclasses 304. In a particular embodiment, the subclasses of event consumer 300 302 are an SMTP consumer for handling mail messages, a script consumer for executing scripts, a paging consumer for initiating paging messages, a log to file consumer to log event data to a file, an NT event log consumer to log event data to an NT event log, a command line consumer for executing command line instructions, and an event forwarding consumer to forward events from one system to another. These various subclasses are discussed in greater detail below.